SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 374

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Travis France upon being named the Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology Outstanding Student of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Travis France is one such exceptional student, who was recently named the statewide Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology (TCAT) Outstanding Student of the Year; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. France has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, a 2015 graduate of Cocke County High School, Travis France is a student in the drafting and computer-aided drafting technology program at the Tennessee College of Applied Technology at Morristown; and

WHEREAS, Mr. France was named Outstanding Student of the Year at the opening ceremony of the SkillsUSA Tennessee competition held at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, Travis France serves as the Tennessee president of SkillsUSA, a nationwide partnership of students, teachers, and industries working together to ensure that America has a skilled workforce; the organization annually serves more than 300,000 high

school, college, and post-secondary students and their instructors in technical, skilled, and service occupation instructional programs; and

WHEREAS, as Outstanding Student of the Year, Mr. France will serve as an ambassador for all of the Colleges of Applied Technology and career technical education. He will visit with public officials, employers, students, and potential students to provide information about TCAT and to encourage public support; and

WHEREAS, Travis France's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Travis France's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his mother, Kim Patterson; his grandmother, Martha France; and his great-grandmother, Mary Edith Douglas; and

WHEREAS, Travis France's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we recognize and honor Travis France upon being named the Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology Outstanding Student of the Year and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.